

Rowe-Jones, J.M., and Brockbank, M.J., "Parental Smoking and Persistent Otitis Media with Effusion in Children," International Journal of Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology 24: 19-24, 1992.

The authors performed a case-control study on 163 children to determine whether a relationship may exist between otitis media with effusion requiring grommet insertion and parental smoking. The authors report that "analysis of findings in this study and previous reports has failed to demonstrate a significantly increased prevalence of smoking in at least one parent, amongst children with persistent otitis media with effusion requiring surgical intervention."